

# **HUNTER ETHICS / LANDOWNER RELATIONS COURSE SHOOTING SKILLS TEST - GREAT SWAMP MGMT. AREA**

**Saturday September 6, 2008 8 AM to 10 AM (or completion)**

ALL FIREARMS MUST BE HANDLED IN A SAFE MANNER AT ALL TIMES. THIS INCLUDES BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO:

- **MUZZLE CONTROL** - Firearms must be pointed in a safe direction at all times.
- **ACTION OPEN AND UNLOADED AT ALL TIMES** except when loaded under the direction of the Range Officer.
- **NO HANDLING OF FIREARMS OR AMMUNITION WHEN PERSONNEL ARE DOWN RANGE**
- **EYE AND EAR PROTECTION ARE MANDATORY**
- **ALL RANGE RULES MUST BE OBEYED**

**FLAGRANT OR REPEATED VIOLATIONS OF SAFETY RULES WILL RESULT IN FAILURE OF THIS SEGMENT OF THE COURSE.**

## **SHOTGUN AND MUZZLELOADER - 1 attempt per season**

- Any firearm in this category which is legal for deer hunting may be used. Any legal ammunition may be used with the exception of buckshot.
- Shooter will fire 5 shots at an Army - L Target at a distance of 50 yards. Standing, sitting and kneeling positions will be allowed. Slings or other aids actually fitted to the firearm may be used for support but no other support aids (i.e. bipod, benchrest) may be used.
- Each shot touching or within the 9 ring (8 1/2") of an Army - L Target will be scored. Shots outside the 9 ring will not be scored. Minimum passing score will be 36 points of a possible 50 points.

## **ARCHERY - 1 attempt per season**

- Any archery gear legal for deer hunting in RI may be used.
- Archer will shoot 5 shots at a life-size deer target with the vital area (i.e. heart, lungs, liver) lightly traced for scoring purposes but not visible from the shooting positions.
- Archer will shoot at 5 different shooting positions which will range from a minimum of 10 yards to a maximum of 25 yards. Four of five arrows must be touching or within the vital area for a passing score.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Individuals may attempt all three tests if desired, but will be allowed only one attempt per season for each. Additionally, those wishing to test with firearms must have completed a Basic Hunter Education Course, and individuals wishing to test with bow and arrow must have completed a Bowhunter Education Course. Present or former military personnel are exempt from this requirement.